



Docket No.: HOCH 3-3-3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: HOCH, et. al.

Serial No.: 09/896,723

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PACKET-BASED SWITCHING

Group Art Unit: 2600

Examiner: unassigned

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CONFIRMATION OF FILING A PETITION FOR A FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

On February 20, 2002 Applicants filed a Response to a *Notice to File Corrected Application Papers* including a check in the amount of \$1,440.00 to cover a four month extension of time. However, the Petition was inadvertently omitted in the stamped transmittal receipt (see copy enclosed.) In the event a copy of the Petition is missing, please consider this as Applicants formal Petition.

As indicated above, Applicants have already filed on February 20, 2002 a check in the amount of \$1,440.00 to cover the cost of the Petition.

Respectfully,

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Date: February 21, 2002